

JUDICIAL PROFILE

Mark W. Armstrong presently serves as the Family Court Presiding Judge. His assignments since his appointment to the bench in 1988 have been broad in scope, encompassing domestic relations, criminal, civil and juvenile cases. Immediately prior to his judicial appointment, he was an attorney with Winston & Strawn in Phoenix from 1985 until 1987. He also worked as an attorney with Mangum, Wall, Stoops and Warden, a law firm in Flagstaff from 1982 until 1984. He served as a Judge Advocate for the United States Air Force on active duty from 1977 to 1981, continuing in that capacity in the Air Force Reserve since 1986. He earned three Air Force Commendation Medals and Meritorious Service Medals. Judge Armstrong attended Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio and graduated cum laude in 1973 with a B.S. degree. He then attended the University of Arizona College of Law, graduating with distinction in May, 1977.



Judge Armstrong is one of the court's supervising judges, and is actively involved in transforming the Domestic Relations Department into a new, streamlined Family Court. He, along with other leadership judges on the court, are in the process of strengthening and improving judicial and legal processes to deal with children, domestic violence and caseflow management. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the Arizona Commission on Judicial Performance Review, the Maricopa County Superior Court Judicial Executive Committee, the Child Support Coordinating Council Subcommittee of the Arizona Legislature, the American Bar Association, Arizona Judges Association and the American Judicature Society.